

Media Information



Columbus Division of Police
Traffic Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit

Date: December 9, 2019

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Ext:

Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash

Date: 12/08/2019

Time: 2:51 AM

Location of Offense/Incident: I-71 South exit to Sinclair Rd

Zone: 1

Precinct: 18

Incident Report #: 191023939

Cruiser District: 180

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Incident Summary: On Sunday, December 8, 2019, at approximately 2:51 AM, Mr. Otoniel Alcauter (18), Mr. Luis Guzman (19), Mr. Carlos Guzman (17) and Mr. John Doe were traveling southbound I-71 in a 2008 Chevrolet Cobalt SS at an apparent high rate of speed. The vehicle exited the freeway at the Sinclair Rd./Morse Rd. exit and failed to negotiate the curve on the ramp. The vehicle traveled southwest into a recessed ditch, became airborne, and crashed into a building at 4800 Sinclair Rd. Two of the occupants were ejected from the vehicle. The operator of the vehicle is as yet undetermined.

Mr. Otoniel Alcauter, Mr. Luis Guzman, and Mr. John Doe were pronounced dead at the scene. Mr. Carlos Guzman was transported by EMS to Riverside Methodist Hospital where he was admitted in critical condition.

The Accident Investigation Unit responded and initiated an investigation, which is ongoing.

To date in 2019, Columbus has had 71 traffic crash fatalities.

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